

**WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL**

**Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.**

**Present-**

**The Hon'ble Mrs. Urmita Datta (Sen), Member(J)**

**Case No. – OA-427 of 2020**

**Madhabi Mandal VERSUS – The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Serial No. and  
Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. A.K. Bhowmick,  
Learned Advocate.

For the State : None.  
Respondents

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29.03.2022

The matter is taken up by the Single Bench pursuant to the order contained in the Notification No. 118-WBAT/1E-08/2003 (Pt.-II) dated 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 6 (5) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

On consent of counsel for the petitioner, matter has been taken up for hearing. Affidavit of service has been filed. Let it be kept with the record.

The counsel for the applicant has prayed for leave to amend the cause title as in the meantime Agri-Mechanical Department has been renamed as Water Resources Investigation and Development Department. Prayer is allowed.

The counsel for the applicant has submitted that on 11.11.2015 at the age of 32 years her husband died. Subsequently, she made an application on 26.02.2016 and her case was forwarded by the B.D.O. Manikchak, Malda to the Superintending Engineer, (Agri Mechanical), Siliguri Agri Mechanical Circle, with duly filled up proforma application for necessary action (Annexure-D). However, thereafter no decision has been communicated to her.

As per the counsel for the applicant, the applicant was survived by minor child with her husband who died at the age of only 32 years. Therefore, she is in a financial distressed condition. Since no final decision has been communicated to her, she has approached this Tribunal by filing this instant OA.

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During the course of hearing, the counsel for the applicant has submitted that it would suffice her purpose if the competent authority would be directed to take final decision with regard to her compassionate appointment within a stipulated period of time.

Though affidavit of service has been filed but none appeared for the respondent.

In view of the above, the Secretary, Water Resources Investigation & Development Department is directed to take final decision with regard to compassionate appointment of the applicant and communicate the same by way of reasoned and speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of the order. The applicant is further directed to serve copy of this application along with this order to the Secretary. Accordingly, OA is disposed with no order as to costs.

Since the circumstances beyond control, the Registry is unable to furnish plain copies of this order to the learned advocates for the parties, the Registry is directed to upload this order on the website of the Tribunal forthwith and parties are directed to act on the copies of the order downloaded from the website.

URMITA DATTA (SEN)  
MEMBER (J)

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